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Tsunami Relief and Reconstruction Highlights

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Jantang is a small coastal village located in the foothills of Lhoong, Aceh Besar, one of three districts most severely ravaged by the devastating tsunami of December 26, 2004. Many of these coastal villages in Lhoong lost between 50-90 percent of their village populations from surging tidal waters.

RELIEF

- The U.S. government was one of the first donor organizations to respond to the disaster, and remains one of the largest contributors to relief and reconstruction efforts in Indonesia. Through numerous grants to NGOs, international organizations, and UN agencies, USAID has helped stabilize the humanitarian situation in Aceh, avert a public health crisis and get survivors back on their feet.
- Nearly 600,000 people affected by the tsunami have benefited from U.S. relief assistance, including temporary shelter, nutrition, food, water purification, sanitation, health and hygiene and psycho-social, child protection programs.
- Over 58,000 workers and their families earned income from USAID cash for work programs. More than 1,500 water systems and 2,015 latrines were constructed, water treatment plants were rehabilitated and 93,000 meters of sewage systems were repaired, providing safe drinking water and a hygienic environment in tsunami-ravaged communities.
- Fourteen health clinics were repaired and over 100 mobile teams provided primary health care to 13,000 Acehnese, including child immunization programs, family planning and birth assistance that dramatically reduced post-tsunami health risks.
- Over 445 fishing boats have either been built or repaired, restoring livelihoods to many families and communities.
- Improved water supply to Banda Aceh, providing coordinated capacity building and infrastructure improvements through transitional water and sanitation programs.

LIVELIHOODS & TRANSITION

- Supported livelihoods restoration and community level infrastructure to 56 villages through the Community Based Recovery program. 17 community centers and 4 recreational facilities provide space essential for re-establishing village leadership and for community members to meet and settle land tenure disputes and create community development plans for reconstruction.
- BRR, with USAID support, has established a model for spatial planning in all 650 affected villages, and is preparing plans in 17 villages.
- USAID granted CHF \$10.5 million to build 1,000 homes and key economic infrastructure such as small ports, fishing vessels, ice-making facilities and markets.

US contribution: 400.1 million

Relief & Rehabilitation:	\$34.5 M
Transition:	\$59.1M
Small Infrastructure:	\$29M
Large Infrastructure:	\$245M
Assistance & Good Governance:	\$12.5M
Debt Relief:	20M



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On August 25, 2005, the U.S. Government began the \$245 million Banda Aceh to Meulaboh road reconstruction project. A \$13.5 million contract was awarded to P.T. Wijaya Karya, a reputable Indonesian firm, for the first phase of the road from Banda Aceh to Meulaboh.

- USAID granted the National Cooperative Business Association \$10.5 million to help finance coffee and patchouli oil production and export, livestock renewal, and to provide entrepreneurs with access to microfinance.
- USAID granted The Asia Foundation \$4.5 million to increase access to capital for female entrepreneurs, ensuring their integration into the local economy.
- The USAID-Chevron Vocational Education Activity provides scholarships to 300 Acehnese youth for a three-month skill building course at Chevron's vocational training facilities. As of Nov. 2005, 111 students have been trained in skills including masonry and house construction, electrical installation, welding, computer applications and book-keeping.
- USAID provides technical assistance and equipment to restore core local government functions, such as basic service provision and, community and village mapping in the City of Banda Aceh and Kabupaten Aceh Besar.

INFRASTRUCTURE

- Reconstruction of 240 kilometers of road and approximately 110 bridges along the west coast of Sumatra is underway. The two-lane road will re-establish communication, provide a vital economic and transportation link from Banda Aceh to Meulaboh and provide access to basic social services.
- An Indonesian construction company was contracted to design and construct 20km of new road, and to rehabilitate and maintain the existing 80km from BA to Lamno.
- Priority Construction results:
 - Travel time from BA to Lamno – reduced 38%
 - Rehabilitation – 100% completed
 - Removal of steel bridge debris – 50% complete
 - Design of 20km – 10% complete

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